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# A Study of Convergence of Sixth-Order Contraharmonic-Mean Newton's Method (CHN) with Applications and Dynamics

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**Abstract:** We develop the local convergence of the six order Contraharmonic-mean Newton's method (CHN) to solve Banach space valued equations. Our analysis approach is two fold: The first way uses Taylor's series and derivatives of higher orders. The second one uses only the first derivatives. We examine the theoretical results by solving a boundary value problem also using the examples relating the proposed method with other's methods such as Newton's, Kou's and Jarratt's to show that the proposed method performs better. The conjugate maps for second-degree polynomial are verified. We also calculate the fixed points (extraneous). The article is completed with the study of basins of attraction, which support and further validate the theoretical and numerical results.

**Keywords:** Newton's method; local convergence; convergence order; fractal; basins of attraction

## 1. Introduction

Let  $F$  be the differentiable mapping of a convex subset  $D$  of a Banach space  $X$  to itself. We deal with the convergence of the sixth-order Contraharmonic-mean method (CHN) [1]

$$\begin{cases} y_k = x_k - F'(x_k)^{-1}F(x_k), \\ z_k = y_k + F'(x_k)^{-1}F'(y_k)(F'(y_k) - F'(x_k))(F'(x_k)^2 + F'(y_k)^2)^{-1}F(x_k), \\ x_{k+1} = z_k - \frac{1}{2}F'(y_k)^{-2}(F'(x_k)^2 + F'(y_k)^2)F'(x_k)^{-1}F(z_k), \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

for  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , where  $F'(x)$  is the derivative of the operator  $F$ . We are seeking to find the solution  $x_*$  or  $x^* \in D$  by solving the equation

$$F(x) = 0, \quad (2)$$

using method (1). Newton's method has been used to solve Equation (2). However, the convergence order is two [2–5]. It is given as follows:

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - F'(x_k)^{-1}F(x_k), \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \quad (3)$$

Papers have appeared on the variant or modification of Newton's method in real [5] as well as in Banach space [2–4].

Two convergence categories of analysis are usually recognized. The first is local convergence analysis, in which, firstly, we assume that a particular solution exists; around this solution there will be a neighborhood, and starting with any vector in this neighborhood, will lead to a sequence that converges to the solution under some suitable conditions. The second is semilocal convergence analysis; it does not require the existence of a solution but demands the same conditions around the initial vector [6,7]. Kantorovich [8] has provided the semilocal convergence of (3) in Banach space. He used the technique of majorizing sequences. Majorizing sequences have been used by many researchers for the variants of Newton's method [2].



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Earlier work on the six order method CHN for the solution of (2) in many dimensions relies on derivatives of higher order, but the methods depend only on the  $F'$ . Thus, the earlier results are limited. Here, first we have performed the local convergence analysis of the CHN method (1) regarding the root  $x_*$ , which depends on the sixth-order derivative of  $F$ . Next, we deal with using only  $F'$ . The second local convergence analysis is also important, especially if  $F$  has no third or higher order Fréchet derivative. Indeed, set  $X = \mathfrak{R}, D = [-1/2, 3/2]$ . Consider  $H$  on  $D$  as

$$H(t) = \begin{cases} t^3 \ln t^2 + t^5 - t^4, & \text{for } t \neq 0, \\ 0, & \text{for } t = 0 \end{cases}$$

We obtain  $H'''(t) = 6 \ln t^2 + 60t^2 - 24t + 22$ . So, the conclusion of Theorem 1 (see Section 2) may not hold since  $H'''$  is not continuous. But the conclusion of Theorem 2 holds (see Section 3) with  $W_0(t) = W(t) = 97t$  and  $W_1(t) = 2$ .

The convergence order in the second case is found using the following formula:

$$\mu \text{ (COC)} = \frac{\ln \left( \| (x_{i+1} - x_*) \| / \| (x_i - x_*) \| \right)}{\ln \left( \| (x_i - x_*) \| / \| (x_{i-1} - x_*) \| \right)}, \tag{4}$$

or

$$\mu_1 \text{ (ACOC)} = \frac{\ln \left( \| (x_{i+1} - x_i) \| / \| (x_i - x_{i-1}) \| \right)}{\ln \left( \| (x_i - x_{i-1}) \| / \| (x_{i-1} - x_{i-2}) \| \right)}. \tag{5}$$

These do not require the  $F'''$  or  $x_*$  (in the Formula (5)).

The numerical results compare the CHN method along with the method of Jarratt [9] and Kou et al. (see [10]) by using some test functions. One important characteristic of this work is the comparability of the CHN method with that of Jarratt [9] and Kou et al. (see [10]) with respect to their dynamics.

### 2. Analysis 1

**Theorem 1.** Let  $I \subset \mathfrak{R}^i$  stand for a convex set and  $F : I \rightarrow \mathfrak{R}^i$ . Assume

- (i)  $x_* \in I$  solves Equation (2) so that  $F'(x_*)^{-1}$  is well defined.
- (ii)  $F$  is sixth-order Fréchet differential in  $I$  at some neighborhood  $S$  of solution  $x_*$ .

Then, the method (1) reaches convergence order six.

**Proof.** Set  $e_k = x_k - x_*$  with  $A_k = \left(\frac{1}{k!}\right)F'(x_*)^{-1}F^{(k)}(x_*)$ . By Taylor series of  $F$  about  $x_*$ , we obtain

$$F(x_k) = F'(x_*) \left[ e_k + A_2 e_k^2 + A_3 e_k^3 + O(e_k^4) \right], \tag{6}$$

$$F'(x_k) = F'(x_*) \left[ 1 + 2A_2 e_k + 3A_3 e_k^2 + 4A_4 e_k^3 + O(e_k^4) \right]. \tag{7}$$

So, we can write

$$F'(x_k)^{-1}F(x_k) = e_k - A_2 e_k^2 + (2A_2^2 - 2A_3) e_k^3 + O(e_k^4).$$

Then, by (1) we obtain

$$y_k = x_* + A_2 e_k^2 + (2A_3 - 2A_2^2) e_k^3 + (4A_2^3 - 7A_2 A_3 + 3A_4) e_k^4 + O(e_k^5). \tag{8}$$

Hence, we have

$$F(y_k) = F'(x_*) [A_2 e_k^2 - 2(A_2^2 - A_3) e_k^3 + (5A_2^3 - 7A_2 A_3 + 3A_4) e_k^4 + O(e_k^5)]. \tag{9}$$

$$F'(y_k) = F'(x_*) [1 + 2A_2^2 e_k^2 + 4A_2(A_3 - A_2^2) e_k^3 + O(e_k^4)]. \tag{10}$$

Next, we obtain

$$F'(x_k)^2 = F'(x_*)^2[1 + 4A_2e_k + (4A_2^2 + 6A_3)e_k^2 + (8A_4 + 12A_2A_3)e_k^3 + O(e_k^4)]. \tag{11}$$

$$F'(y_{(k)})^2 = F'(x_*)^2[1 + 4A_2^2e_k^2 + (8A_2A_3 - 8A_2^3)e_k^3 + O(e_k^4)]. \tag{12}$$

Now, by the second sub-step of the CHN method we obtain

$$z_k = x_* + (2A_2^2 + \frac{A_3}{2})e_k^3 + O(e_k^4). \tag{13}$$

We obtain from the third sub-step of the CHN method (1)

$$\begin{aligned} x_{k+1} &= x_* + Ae_k^6 + O(e_k^7), \\ e_{k+1} &= Ae_k^6 + O(e_k^7). \end{aligned} \tag{14}$$

Thus, the CHN method (1) has local convergence of the sixth-order to the root of  $F$ .  $\square$

### 3. Analysis 2

The analysis uses some real functions and parameters. Set  $A = [0, \infty)$ . Suppose:

(i) Equation 
$$W_0(t) - 1 = 0 \tag{15}$$

has smallest root  $\rho_0 \in (0, \infty)$ , where  $W_0 : A \rightarrow A$  stands for a nondecreasing and continuous function. Set  $A_0 = [0, \rho_0)$ .

(ii) Equation 
$$\psi_1(t) = 0, \tag{16}$$

where  $\psi_1(t) = \phi_1(t) - 1$ ,  $\phi_1(t) = \frac{\int_0^1 W((1-\theta)t)d\theta}{1-W_0(t)}$ ,  $t \in [0, \rho_0]$  admits a smallest root  $r_1 \in [0, \rho_0)$ , where  $W : A_0 \rightarrow A_0$  is continuous and nondecreasing.

(iii) Equation 
$$P(t) - 1 = 0, \tag{17}$$

where  $P(t) = \frac{1}{2}(v(t) + v(\phi_1(t)t))$  has a smallest root  $\rho_P \in (0, \infty)$ . Set  $\rho = \min\{\rho_0, \rho_P\}$  and  $A_{00} = [0, \rho)$

(iv) Equation 
$$\psi_2(t) = 0, \tag{18}$$

has a smallest root  $r_2 \in (0, \rho)$ , where  $\psi_2(t) = \phi_2(t) - 1$  and

$$\phi_2(t) = \phi_1(t) + \frac{W_1(\phi_1(t)t)(W_0(\phi_1(t)t) + W_0(t))a \int_0^1 W_1(\theta t)d\theta}{2(1 - W_0(t))(1 - p(t))},$$

where  $W_1 : A_{00} \rightarrow A_{00}$  is continuous and nondecreasing.

(v) Equation 
$$W_0(\psi_1(t)t) - 1 = 0 \tag{19}$$

has a least solution  $\rho_1 \in (0, \rho)$ . Set  $A_{000} = (0, \rho_1)$ . Let  $b \geq 0$ . Define functions  $\phi_3$  and  $\psi_3$  on  $A_{000}$  by

$$\phi_3(t) = \left[1 + \frac{b(W_1(t)^2 + W_1(\phi_1(t)t)^2) \int_0^1 W_1(\theta\phi_2(t)t)d\theta}{2(1 - W_0(\phi_1(t)t))^2(1 - W_0(t))}\right] \phi_2(t)$$

and  $\psi_3(t) = \phi_3(t) - 1$ .

Suppose that equation  $\psi_3(t) = 0$  has the smallest root  $r_3 \in (0, \rho_1)$ .

Next,

$$r = \min\{r_1, r_2, r_3\}. \tag{20}$$

is shown to be convergence radius for CHN. Consequently,

$$0 \leq W_0(t) < 1 \tag{21}$$

$$0 \leq P(t) < 1 \tag{22}$$

and

$$0 \leq \phi_i(t) < 1, \quad i = 1, 2, 3. \tag{23}$$

hold for all  $t \in [0, r)$ . Consider conditions (A) in our analysis with the scalars parameter and functions as previously defined:

(a<sub>1</sub>)  $F : D \rightarrow X$  has a simple solution  $x_* \in D$  satisfying

$$\| F(x_*)^{-1} \| \leq a, \quad \| F'(x_*) \| \leq b.$$

(a<sub>2</sub>) For all  $x \in D$

$$\| F'(x_*)^{-1}(F'(x) - F'(x_*)) \| \leq W_0(\| x - x_* \|).$$

Define  $D_0 = D \cap B(x_*, \rho_0)$ .

(a<sub>3</sub>) For all  $x, y \in D_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \| F'(x_*)^{-1}(F'(x) - F'(x_*)) \| &\leq W(\| x - x_* \|), \\ \| F'(x_*)^{-1}F'(x) \| &\leq W_1(\| x - x_* \|), \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\| F'(x_*)^{-2}(F'(x)^2 - F'(x_*)^2) \| \leq V(\| x - x_* \|).$$

(a<sub>4</sub>)  $B(x_*, r) \subset D$  and

(a<sub>5</sub>) There exists  $\bar{r} \geq r$  satisfying  $\int_0^1 W_0(\theta\bar{r})d\theta < 1$ .

Set

$$D_1 = D \cap \bar{B}(x_*, \bar{r}). \tag{24}$$

Based on the conditions (A) and the developed notation, we prove the second result for method (1).

**Theorem 2.** Under the conditions (A), pick  $x_0 \in B(x_*, r) - \{x_*\}$ . Then, the sequence produced by the method CHN starting at  $x_0$  is defined well, remains in  $B(x_*, r) - \{x_*\}$ , and is convergent to  $x_*$ , which is an isolated solver of the region  $D_1$ .

**Proof.** Choose  $u \in B(x_*, r)$ . Then, by (a<sub>2</sub>) and (16) one obtains

$$\| F'(x_*)^{-1}(F'(u) - F'(x_*)) \| \leq v \| u - x_* \| \leq W_0(r) < 1.$$

By the standard Banach perturbation lemma [8] and the preceding inequality, we have

$$\| F'(u)^{-1}F'(x_*) \| \leq \frac{1}{1 - W_0 \| (u - x_*) \|}. \tag{25}$$

In particular, if  $u = x_0$ ,  $F'(x_0)^{-1}$  exists. Since  $x_0 \in B(x_*, r)$ , then  $y_0$  exists, and

$$\begin{aligned} y_0 - x_* &= x_0 - x_* - F'(x_0)^{-1}F(x_0) = \\ &= F'(x_0)^{-1}F'(x_*) \int_0^1 F'(x_*)^{-1}(F'(x_* + \theta(x_0 - x_*)) - F'(x_0))(x_0 - x_*)d\theta. \end{aligned} \tag{26}$$

We set  $\| x_n - x_* \| = a_n$ . So, in view of condition (a<sub>3</sub>) and (16), (20), (21), and (23)

$$\begin{aligned} \| y_0 - x_* \| &\leq \frac{\int_0^1 W((1 - \theta)a_0)d\theta a_0}{1 - W_0(a_0)} \\ &\leq \phi_1(a_0)a_0 \\ &\leq a_0 \\ &< r. \end{aligned} \tag{27}$$

Hence,  $y_0 \in B(x_*, \rho)$ .

We must show that the linear operator  $F'(x_0)^2 + F'(y_0)^2$  is invertible, which will well define  $x_1$ . So, by  $(a_3)$  and (16), (25), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \| (2F'(x_*)^2)^{-1}(F'(x_0)^2 + F'(y_0)^2 - 2F'(x_*)^2) \| \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{2}(\| (F'(x_*)^2)^{-1}(F'(x_0)^2 - F'(x_*)^2) \| + \| (F'(x_*)^2)^{-1}(F'(y_0)^2 - F'(x_*)^2) \|) \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{2}[Va_0 + V \| y_0 - x_* \|] \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{2}[Va_0 + V(\phi_1(a_0))a_0] \\
 & = P(a_0) \\
 & < 1,
 \end{aligned} \tag{28}$$

so

$$\| (F'(x_0)^2 + F'(y_0)^2)^{-1}F'(x_*)^2 \| \leq \frac{1}{2(1 - P(a_0))}. \tag{29}$$

Then, by the second substep of the method CHN, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & z_0 - x_* \\
 = & x_0 - x_* - F'(x_0)^{-1}F(x_0) + F'(x_0)^{-1}F'(y_0)(F'(y_0) - F'(x_0))(F'(x_0)^2 + F'(y_0)^2)^{-1}F(x_0) \\
 = & y_0 - x_* + F'(x_0)^{-1} \left[ I + F'(y_0)(F'(y_0) - F'(x_0))(F'(x_0)^2 + F'(y_0)^2)^{-1} \right] F(x_0) \\
 = & y_0 - x_* + F'(x_0)^{-1} [F'(x_0)^2 + F'(y_0)^2 + F'(y_0)(F'(y_0) - F'(x_0))] (F'(x_0)^2 + F'(y_0)^2)^{-1} F(x_0)
 \end{aligned} \tag{30}$$

We obtain by  $(a_1)$ ,  $(a_3)$ , (16), (25), and (28)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \| z_0 - x_* \| \\
 \leq & \| y_0 - x_* \| + \| F'(x_0)^{-1}F'(x_*) \| \| F'(x_*)F'(y_0) \| [ \| F'(y_0) - F'(x_*) \| + \\
 & \| F'(x_*) - F'(x_0) \| ] \| (F'(x_0)^2 + F'(y_0)^2)^{-1}F'(x_*)^2 \| \| F'(x_*)^{-1} \| \| F'(x_*)^{-1}F(x_0) \| \\
 \leq & \left[ \phi_1(a_0) + \frac{W_1(\| y_0 - x_* \|) \left( W_0(\| y_0 - x_* \|) + W_0(a_0) \right) a \int_0^1 W_1(\theta a_0) d\theta}{2(1 - W_0(a_0))(1 - P(a_0))} \right] \| y_0 - x_* \| \\
 \leq & \phi_2(a_0)a_0 \\
 \leq & a_0,
 \end{aligned} \tag{31}$$

so,  $z_0 \in B(x_*, r)$ .

Notice that  $F'(y_0)^{-1}$  is well defined and (25) holds for  $u = y_0$ . Then, by the third sub-step of CHN:

$$x_1 - x_* = z_0 - x_* - \frac{1}{2}F'(y_0)^{-2}F'(x_*)F'(x_*) \left[ \left( F'(x_*)^{-1}F'(x_0) \right)^2 + \left( F'(x_*)^{-1}F'(y_0) \right)^2 \right] F'(x_0)^{-1}F(z_0), \tag{32}$$

Now, from (23) (for  $i = 3$ ), (25), (29), and (32); we obtain return that

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \| x_1 - x_* \| \\
 \leq & \left[ 1 + \frac{b (W_1(a_0))^2 + W_1(\| y_0 - x_* \|^2) \int_0^1 W_1(\theta(\| z_0 - x_* \|)) d\theta}{(1 - W_0(a_0))(1 - W_0(\phi_1(a_0)a_0))^2} \right] \| z_0 - x_* \| \\
 \leq & \phi_3(a_0)a_0 \\
 \leq & a_0,
 \end{aligned}$$

so,  $x_1 \in B(x_*, r)$ .

Switching  $x_0, y_0, x_1$  by  $x_j, y_j, x_{j+1}$ , respectively, in the previous estimations, we obtain

$$\| x_{j+1} - x_* \| \leq c \| x_j - x_* \|, \tag{33}$$

where  $c = \phi_3(a_0) \in [0, 1)$  leading to  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} x_m = x_*$ , and  $x_{j+1} \in B(x_*, r)$ .

To show uniqueness, we consider  $Q = \int_0^1 F'(x_* + \theta(u - x_*))d\theta$  for  $u \in D_1$  with  $F(u) = 0$ . By (a<sub>2</sub>) and (a<sub>5</sub>), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \| F'(x_*)^{-1}(Q - F'(x_*)) \| &\leq \int_0^1 W_0(\theta \| (u - x_*) \|)d\theta \\ &\leq \int_0^1 W_0(\theta r)d\theta \\ &< 1. \end{aligned} \tag{34}$$

Finally, the invertability of  $Q$  together with the identity

$$0 = F'(u) - F'(x_*) = Q(u - x_*),$$

gives

$$u = x_*.$$

□

#### 4. Numerical Conclusions

In this section, a comparative study of the CHN (1) with fourth-order Jarratt’s (35) [9] and sixth-order Kou’s (36) [10] is undertaken. Iterative expressions for the last two methods are as:

$$\begin{cases} y_j = x_j - \frac{2}{3}F'(x_j)^{-1}F(x_j), \\ x_{j+1} = x_j - JF(x_j)F'(x_j)^{-1}F(x_j), \\ JF(x_j) = [6F'(y_j) - 2F'(x_j)]^{-1}[3F'(y_j) + F'(x_j)] \end{cases} \tag{35}$$

$$\begin{cases} y_j = x_j - \frac{2}{3}F'(x_j)^{-1}F(x_j), \\ z_j = x_j - JF(x_j)F'(x_j)^{-1}F(x_j), \\ x_{j+1} = z_j - [\frac{3}{2}JF(x_j)F'(y_j) + (1 - \frac{3}{2}JF(x_j))F'(x_j)]^{-1}F(z_j), \\ JF(x_j) = [6F'(y_j) - 2F'(x_j)]^{-1}[3F'(y_j) + F'(x_j)], \end{cases} \tag{36}$$

MATLAB 2007 is used for the calculations with the stopping criterion  $|x_{k+1} - x_*| + |F(x_{k+1})| < 10^{-14}$ . We have taken Example 1, from the paper of Kou et al. [10] with the same starting point.

**Example 1.** Let  $X = (-\infty, +\infty), D = (-5, 5)$  consider  $F : D \rightarrow \Re$  be given as

$$F_1(x) = \exp(x^2 + 7x - 30) - 1, \forall x \in D.$$

We obtain

$$F'_1(x) = (2x + 7)\exp(x^2 + 7x - 30).$$

The initial approximation is 3.5, and the approximate solution is 3.0. The numerical solution of Example 1 by second-order Newton’s (3), fourth-order Jarratt’s (35) [9], sixth-order Kou’s (36) [10], and sixth-order CHN method (1) is presented in Table 1. We can check from the Table 1 that starting with point 3.5, the CHN method is accelerating the convergence to solution 3.0 at every iteration.

**Example 2.** Let  $X = (-\infty, +\infty), D = (-2, 2)$  consider  $F : D \rightarrow \Re$  be given as

$$F_2(x) = x^3 - 1, \forall x \in D.$$

Then, we obtain

$$F'_2(x) = 3x^2.$$

The initial point is 3.5. The approximate solution is 1.0. The numerical solution of Example 2 by different methods is presented in Table 2. These results confirm the proposed method CHN (1) is converging to solution 1.0 in a better way in comparison to the others.

**Table 1.** Display of competing methods for Example 1.

<i>n</i>	Newton Method (3)	Jarratt Method (35)	Kou and Li Method (36)	Proposed Method (1)
1	3.4286550628300567	3.3308347060483117	3.3400539516999523	3.32315410750057
2	3.3567192343584691	3.1621047829753062	3.1804266925540472	3.14712430657336
3	3.2844198112235032	3.0286129167008315	3.0494927271058243	3.01643362598904
4	3.2124063084511238	3.0000609473820439	2.9999154731807178	3.00000019275693
5	3.1424181594780256	3.0000000000000013	3.0000000000000000	3.0000000000000000
6	3.0787259144487731	2.9999999999999996		
7	3.0298667132808625	3.0000000000000000		
8	3.0051821604398370			
9	3.0001727640389917			
10	3.0000001961589162			
11	3.00000000000002531			
12	3.0000000000000000			

**Table 2.** Display of competing methods for Example 2.

Method	<i>n</i>	<i>x</i>	<i>f(x)</i>
Newton Method (3)	1	3.50000000	41.87500000000000
	2	2.36054421768707	12.15335132155504
	3	1.63351725484243	3.35884252127395
	4	1.21393130681298	0.78888464195259
	5	1.03548645503746	0.11028191827017
	6	1.00120223985296	0.00361105743855
	7	1.00000144306722	$4.329207893061238 \times 10^{-6}$
	8	1.00000000000208	$6.247669048775606 \times 10^{-12}$
	9	1.0000000000	0.00000000
Jarratt Method (35)	1	3.50000000	41.87500000000000
	2	1.57229444273689	2.88688452342733
	3	1.02101066173731	0.06436560404449
	4	1.00000012371720	$3.711516567417306 \times 10^{-7}$
	5	1.0000000000	0.00000000
Kou and Li Method (36)	1	3.50000000	41.87500000000000
	2	1.46161830566666	2.12249621615530
	3	1.00443745549946	0.01337152691029
	4	1.00000000000114	$3.410605131648481 \times 10^{-12}$
	5	1.0000000000	0.00000000
Proposed Method (1)	1	3.50000000	41.87500000000000
	2	1.00463214431117	0.01396090260708
	3	1.000000000000002	$7.327471962526033 \times 10^{-14}$
	4	1.0000000000	0.00000000

**Example 3.** Let  $D = X = Y = \mathbb{R}^2$ . Consider an operator  $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$  as

$$F_3(x) = (-s^2 + 1/3, -t^2 + 1/3), \forall x = (s, t) \in \mathbb{R}^2.$$

The initial point is (0.1, 0.1), whereas the approximate solution is (0.57735, 0.57735). The numerical solution of Example 3 by methods is given in Table 3. It is clear that the proposed method (1) along with Kou’s method (36) is converging to the solution in fewer iterations among the methods.

**Table 3.** Display of competing methods for Example 3.

Method	$n$	$x$	$y$	$f(x, y)$	$g(x, y)$
Newton Method (3)	1	0.1000000	0.1000000	0.323333	0.323333
	2	1.71667	1.71667	-2.61361	-2.61361
	3	0.955421	0.955421	-0.579495	-0.579495
	4	0.652154	0.652154	-0.091971	-0.091971
	5	0.58164	0.58164	-0.00497212	-0.00497212
	6	0.577366	0.577366	-0.000018269	-0.000018269
	7	0.57735	0.57735	$-2.50303 \times 10^{-10}$	$-2.50303 \times 10^{-10}$
	8	0.57735	0.57735	0.0000000	0.0000000
Jarratt Method (35)	1	0.1000000	0.1000000	0.323333	0.323333
	2	0.955421	0.955421	-0.579495	-0.579495
	3	0.58164	0.58164	-0.00497212	-0.00497212
	4	0.57735	0.57735	$-2.50303 \times 10^{-10}$	$-2.50303 \times 10^{-10}$
	5	0.57735	0.57735	0.0000000	0.0000000
Kou and Li method (36)	1	0.1000000	0.1000000	0.323333	0.323333
	2	0.889224	0.889224	-0.457387	-0.457387
	3	0.577802	0.577802	-0.000522292	-0.000522292
	4	0.57735	0.57735	0.0000000	0.0000000
Proposed method (1)	1	0.1000000	0.1000000	0.323333	0.323333
	2	0.935823	0.935823	-0.542431	-0.542431
	3	0.57794	0.57794	-0.000681532	-0.000681532
	4	0.57735	0.57735	0.0000000	0.0000000

**Example 4.** Let the following boundary problem

$$z'' + 3zz' = 0, \quad z(0) = 0, \quad z(2) = 1.$$

We take  $s_0 = 0 < s_1 < s_2 < s_3 < \dots < s_{n-1} < s_n = 2$ ,  $s_{i+1} = s_i + h$ ,  $h = \frac{2}{n}$ . Here,  $z_0 = z(s_0) = 0, z_1 = z(s_1), z_2 = z(s_2), z_3 = z(s_3), \dots, z_{n-1} = z(s_{n-1})$  and  $z_n = z(s_n) = 1$ .

We discretize the above problem by using the central difference schemes for the first- and second-order derivatives, i.e.,

$$z''_i = \frac{z_{i-1} - 2z_i + z_{i+1}}{h^2}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n - 1,$$

$$z'_i = \frac{z_{i+1} - z_{i-1}}{2h}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n - 1,$$

$$z_i = \frac{z_{i+1} + z_{i-1}}{2}, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n - 1.$$

Thus, we obtain an  $(n - 1) \times (n - 1)$  nonlinear system:

$$F_4(z) = 4(z_{i-1} - 2z_i + z_{i+1}) + 3h(z_{i+1}^2 - z_{i-1}^2) = 0, \quad i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n - 1. \quad (37)$$

Next, we deal with the above problem for  $n = 3$  by the developed method using the initial approximations  $z_0 = [0.1, 0.1]$ . The solution of the problem is shown in Table 4 with  $z = [z_1, z_2]$  and  $F = [f, g]$ . Nine iterations are performed to obtain the solution  $[0.7321436673451523, 0.9820632482087217]$ .

**Table 4.** Solution of Example 4 (B V P) by proposed method.

$n$	$x_1$	$x_2$	$f(x_1, x_2)$	$g(x_1, x_2)$
1	0.5208651381932472	0.9863298060604199	1.7240910913420728	-0.3497788800805113
2	0.6992219563196387	0.9822804417862183	0.26509584921922036	-0.039178397410117194
3	0.728002081941415	0.9821489931797941	0.033812606796022715	-0.005157680294762157
4	0.7316443315500164	0.9820746816221972	0.0040854346553378384	-0.0006269825560529796
5	0.7320838072613625	0.9820646544298595	0.0004901305894167152	-0.00007540810200934445
6	0.7321365054143987	0.982063417353375	0.0005873750588891724	$-9.042290220806493 \times 10^{-6}$
7	0.7321428200798787	0.9820632682383741	$7.037960539690857 \times 10^{-6}$	$-1.0835765131833597 \times 10^{-6}$
8	0.7321435766903267	0.9820632503521937	$8.432707918615279 \times 10^{-7}$	$-1.2983405106581358 \times 10^{-7}$
9	0.7321436673451523	0.9820632482087217	$1.0103819869655695 \times 10^{-7}$	$-1.5556382404469105 \times 10^{-8}$

### 5. Consistent Conjugate Maps for Second-Degree Polynomials

This section deals with the mapping  $R(z)$  appearing in numerous methods related to a usual polynomial having simple roots.

**Theorem 3** (Newton’s method). *Rational mapping  $R(z)$  by Newton’s method (3) related to  $P(z) = (z - \alpha)(z - \beta)$ ,  $\alpha \neq \beta$  is conjugate to  $S(z)$  through the Mobius transformation presented by  $M(z) = (z - \alpha)/(z - \beta)$ , i.e.,*

$$S(z) = MoRoM^{-1}(z) = M\left(R\left(\frac{z\beta - \alpha}{z - 1}\right)\right),$$

$$S(z) = z^2.$$

**Theorem 4** (Jarratt’s method [9]). *Rational mapping  $R(z)$  by Jarratt’s method (35) related to  $P(z) = (z - \alpha)(z - \beta)$ ,  $\alpha \neq \beta$  is conjugate to  $S(z)$  through the Mobius transformation presented by  $M(z) = (z - \alpha)/(z - \beta)$ , i.e.,*

$$S(z) = z^4Q(z),$$

where  $Q(z) = 1$ .

**Theorem 5** (Proposed method CHN). *The rational mapping  $R(z)$  by the Contraharmonic-mean Newton method (CHN) (1) related to  $P(z) = (z - \alpha)(z - \beta)$ ,  $\alpha \neq \beta$  is conjugate to  $S(z)$  through the Mobius transformation presented by  $M(z) = (z - \alpha)/(z - \beta)$ , i.e.,*

$$S(z) = z^6Q(z),$$

where  $Q(z) = (2 + z + z^2)^2 / (1 + z + 2z^2)^2$ .

**Theorem 6** (Newton-like method). *The rational mapping  $R(z)$  by the Newton-like method related to  $P(z) = (z - \alpha)(z - \beta)$ ,  $\alpha \neq \beta$  is conjugate to  $S(z)$  through the Mobius transformation presented by  $M(z) = (z - \alpha)/(z - \beta)$ , i.e.,*

$$S(z) = z^pQ(z),$$

where  $Q(z)$  is either a unity or a rational function and  $p$  is the order of the Newton-like method.

### 6. Fixed Points (Extraneous)

The Newton type described previously may be viewed as a fixed-point iteration:

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - E_F(x_k) \frac{F(x_k)}{F'(x_k)}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots \tag{38}$$

Thus, the root  $x_*$  of  $F(x) = 0$  is a fixed point of the method. If the right side of (38) also vanishes at some points  $\xi \neq x_*$  for  $E_F(\xi) = 0$ , then  $\xi$  is also fixed points of the method. These fixed points are known as fixed points (extraneous) (see [11]). Now, we describe the fixed points (extraneous) of some Newton-like methods for  $z^3 - 1$ .

**Remark 1.** *Newton’s method does not have any fixed points (extraneous) because for Newton’s method,  $E_F(x_k) = 1$ .*

**Theorem 7.** *Jarratt’s method [9] given by Equation (35) has six extraneous fixed points.*

**Proof.** For Jarratt’s method (35),  $E_F(x_k)$  is  $(1 + 7z^3 + 19z^6) / (2 + 14z^3 + 11z^6)$ . Here, the numerator is of degree 6; hence, Jarratt’s method has six extraneous fixed points.

$$z = -0.5983578868038158646404450602561 - 0.1293213674687494778306860664455i,$$

$$z = -0.5983578868038158646404450602561 + 0.1293213674687494778306860664455i,$$

$$z = 0.1871833539218283973810430511561 + 0.5828538142612528060331642836771i,$$

$$\begin{aligned} z &= 0.1871833539218283973810430511561 - 0.5828538142612528060331642836771i, \\ z &= 0.4111745328819874672594020091000 - 0.4535324467925033282024782172316i, \\ z &= 0.4111745328819874672594020091000 + 0.4535324467925033282024782172316i. \end{aligned}$$

Since the magnitude of the derivative at these points is  $> 1$ , these fixed points are repulsive.  $\square$

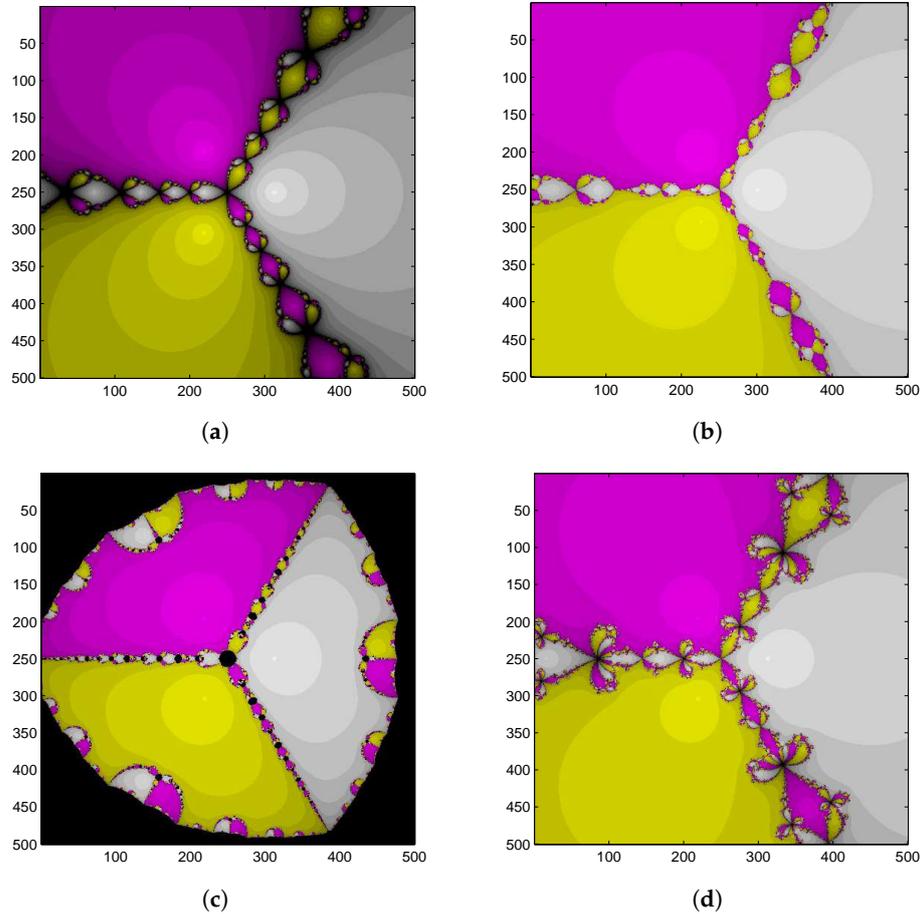
**Theorem 8.** *The contraharmonic-mean Newton method (CHN) given by Equation (1) has 36 extraneous fixed points.*

**Proof.** For the Contraharmonic-mean Newton method (1),  $E_F(x_k)$  is given by the following equation.  $(1 + 24z^3 + 273z^6 + 1913z^9 + 9432z^{12} + 35820z^{15} + 109518z^{18} + 267480z^{21} + 520299z^{24} + 836888z^{27} + 1075845z^{30} + 835755z^{33} + 558280z^{36}) / (2(1 + 2z^3)^4(1 + 8z^3 + 24z^6 + 32z^9 + 97z^{12})^2)$ . Clearly, numerator is of degree 36; hence, Contraharmonic-mean Newton method (1) has 36 fixed points (extraneous).

$$\begin{aligned} z &= -0.85891341548817634254031202979 - 0.38462281576563556340872698886i, \\ z &= -0.85891341548817634254031202979 + 0.38462281576563556340872698886i, \\ z &= -0.65582552364097941592393852099 - 0.42976024375144991085585715396i, \\ z &= -0.65582552364097941592393852099 + 0.42976024375144991085585715396i, \\ z &= -0.623420868575676112057973683 - 0.062578441419550715087380264i, \\ z &= -0.623420868575676112057973683 + 0.062578441419550715087380264i, \\ z &= -0.622713425569435944663548608 - 0.120604325095179444176721230i, \\ z &= -0.622713425569435944663548608 + 0.120604325095179444176721230i, \\ z &= -0.5928981111597760786762419411 - 0.3446909573828356296489746908i, \\ z &= -0.5928981111597760786762419411 + 0.3446909573828356296489746908i, \\ z &= -0.5351471982451658364293066070 - 0.1177518720014271165112211218i, \\ z &= -0.5351471982451658364293066070 + 0.1177518720014271165112211218i, \\ z &= -0.04427052680485847696252369081 - 0.78284168579904506769620208348i, \\ z &= -0.04427052680485847696252369081 + 0.78284168579904506769620208348i, \\ z &= -0.0020620699684269202724748405 - 0.6858103048115938827367817412i, \\ z &= -0.0020620699684269202724748405 + 0.6858103048115938827367817412i, \\ z &= 0.09636357841594587780433319956 - 0.93615224534683701782065582000i, \\ z &= 0.09636357841594587780433319956 + 0.93615224534683701782065582000i, \\ z &= 0.1655974866261734639362004471 - 0.5223270044450943385619686761i, \\ z &= 0.1655974866261734639362004471 + 0.5223270044450943385619686761i, \\ z &= 0.206910303446015487259798596 - 0.599587808368351467423586781i, \\ z &= 0.206910303446015487259798596 + 0.599587808368351467423586781i, \\ z &= 0.257515914289270808012764881 - 0.571187530145670720995938230i, \\ z &= 0.257515914289270808012764881 + 0.571187530145670720995938230i, \\ z &= 0.365904954286405304045208801 - 0.508609088726120005908557966i, \\ z &= 0.365904954286405304045208801 + 0.508609088726120005908557966i, \\ z &= 0.3695497116189923724931061599 - 0.4045751324436672220507475543i, \\ z &= 0.3695497116189923724931061599 + 0.4045751324436672220507475543i, \\ z &= 0.415803122123420457403750013 - 0.478983483273172023246865551i, \\ z &= 0.415803122123420457403750013 + 0.478983483273172023246865551i, \\ z &= 0.5949601811282029989487167816 - 0.3411193474287582530878070504i, \\ z &= 0.5949601811282029989487167816 + 0.3411193474287582530878070504i, \\ z &= 0.70009605044583789288646221180 - 0.35308144204759515684034492952i, \\ z &= 0.70009605044583789288646221180 + 0.35308144204759515684034492952i, \\ z &= 0.76254983707223046473597883023 - 0.55152942958120145441192883114i, \\ z &= 0.76254983707223046473597883023 + 0.55152942958120145441192883114i. \end{aligned}$$

Since the magnitude of the derivative at these points is  $> 1$ , these fixed points are repulsive.  $\square$

**Remark 2.** For the other Newton-like method, we may calculate the fixed points (extraneous) in a similar way since the magnitude of the derivative at these points is  $> 1$ . Therefore, these fixed points are repulsive. These fixed points can be located in the basins graph for Example 3 ( $z^3 - 1$ ), Figure 1 (also notice the dynamics in Section 2 for these methods).



**Figure 1.** Basin of attraction for  $F_2(z) = z^3 - 1$  by different methods. (a) Second-order Newton’s method; (b) fourth-order Jarratt’s method; (c) sixth-order Kou et al. method; and (d) sixth-order CHN method.

**7. Dynamical Study**

Now, we will define the following definitions but in the extended complex plane.

**Definition 1** (see [12–14]). Let us consider that  $g : I \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a rational map on the Riemann sphere, where  $I$  is a subset of the complex numbers  $\mathbb{C}$ . Then, a point  $z_0$  is said to be a fixed point of  $g$  if

$$g(z_0) = z_0.$$

Again for any point  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ , the orbit of the point  $z$  can be defined as the set

$$Orb(z) = \{z, g(z), g^2(z), \dots, g^n(z), \dots\}.$$

**Definition 2** (see [12,14]). A periodic point  $z_0$  is said to be of period  $k$  if there a smallest positive integer  $k$  exists, i.e.  $g^k(z_0) = z_0$ .

**Remark 3.** If  $z_0$  is a periodic point of period  $k$ , then clearly it is a fixed point for  $g^k$ .

**Definition 3** (see [12–14]). Let  $z_*$  be a zero of the function  $F$ . Then, the basin of attraction of the zero  $z_*$  is defined as the set of all initial approximations  $z_0$  such that any numerical iterative method starting with  $z_0$  converges to  $z_*$ . It can be written as

$$B(z_*) = \{z_0 : z_{n+1} = g^n(z_0) \text{ converges } \rightarrow z_*\}. \tag{39}$$

Here,  $g^n$  is any fixed-point iterative method.

**Remark 4.** For example in case of Newton’s method

$$z_{n+1} = g(z_n),$$

$$g(z_n) = z_n - \frac{F(z_n)}{F'(z_n)}, \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

We can write the basin of attraction of the zero  $z_*$  for the Newton’s method as follows:

$$B(z_*) = \{z_0 : z_{n+1} = g^n(z_0) \text{ converges } \rightarrow z_*\}.$$

**Definition 4** (see [12–14]). The Julia set of a nonlinear map  $g(z)$  is denoted as  $J(g)$  and is defined as a set consisting of the closure of its repulsive periodic points [15]. The complement of the Julia set  $J(g)$  is called the Fatou set  $f(g)$ .

**Remark 5.**

- (i) Some times the Fatou set of a nonlinear map may also be defined as the solution space, and the Julia set of a nonlinear map may also be defined as the error space.
- (ii) Fractals are a very complicated phenomenon that may be defined as a self-similar surprising geometric object, which repeats at every small scale [16].

The dynamics of the rational map on the Riemann sphere split into two parts [13].

1. The dynamics of the Fatou set.
2. The dynamics of the Julia set.

The dynamics of the Fatou set of the rational map may be defined as the solution space that contains the basin of attraction. The dynamics of Julia set of the rational map may be defined as the error space having the chaotic part of the dynamics.

We studied the fractal patterns and dynamics for Example 2 ( $F(z) = z^3 - 1$ ) and a new Example 5 ( $F(z) = z^6 + (2 - 4i)z^5 - z + (2 - 4i)$ ) by using different iterative methods. The dynamical analysis helps us in understanding the convergence, divergence, and stability of the methods (see [12,13]).

7.1. For Example 2

Let us choose the square  $R \times R = [-5.0, 5.0] \times [-5.0, 5.0]$  of  $500 \times 500$  points with tolerance  $|F(z_k)| < 5 \times 10^{-2}$ , taking a maximum of 21 iterations and a different color for each complex root, to study the dynamics of Example 2 ( $F_2(z) = z^3 - 1$ ) (Figure 1).

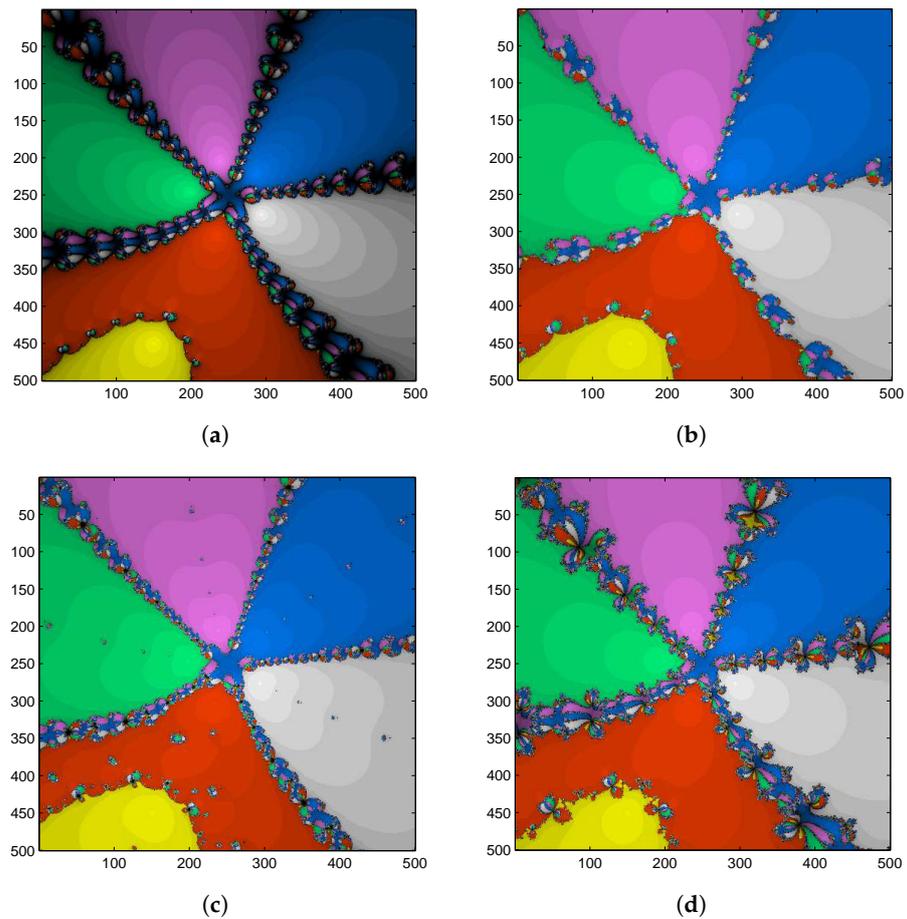
1. Clearly, the proposed sixth-order CHN method has a Fatou set with bigger orbits in comparison to the other methods.
2. Newton’s method has no fixed points (extraneous). Further, there are 6 fixed points (extraneous) for Jarratt’s method and 36 fixed points (extraneous) for the proposed CHN method.
3. As we know that the magnitude of the derivative at these points is  $> 1$ , these fixed points are repelling and are not the part of solution space. Thus, larger the number of fixed points poor the method will be.

7.2. For Example 5

The dynamics for Example 5 ( $F_5(z) = z^6 + (2 - 4i)z^5 - z + (2 - 4i)$ ) are plotted by the methods with the earlier conditions having different color for each complex root.

We described the basins of attraction for second-order Newton’s (3), fourth-order Jarratt’s (35), sixth-order Kou et al. (36), and present sixth-order CHN method (1) (Figure 2).

1. The dynamics for all the methods contain a Fatou set with similar basins and a fractal Julia set with some chaotic behavior.
2. The black part is the Julia set, which exhibits chaotic behavior, which means the method fails or diverges. Clearly, Newton’s method obtained the biggest Julia set (Figure 2a).
3. The colored part with six different colors to each root is the Fatou set, which contains the basins of the methods. From Figure 2, we see that the proposed method (CHN) has a Fatou set with bigger orbits and thus basins, but it also has a Julia set with chaotic behavior at the border of the basins.



**Figure 2.** Basin of attraction for  $F_5(z) = z^6 + (2 - 4i)z^5 - z + (2 - 4i)$  by different methods. (a) Second-order Newton’s method; (b) fourth-order Jarratt’s method; (c) sixth-order Kou et al. method; and (d) sixth-order CHN method.

### 8. Conclusions

We studied a sixth-order Newton-like method (CHN) based on a contraharmonic-mean. Two local convergence analyses were performed for the method. Local convergence analysis I demands the sixth-order derivative, but the second version needs only the first-order derivative. We checked the theoretical results by the numerical experiments, and the numerical results were examined with the basins of attraction for some selected examples. The supremacy of the CHN method is shown over the compared methods through the numerical and dynamical results, except for the numerical example 3, where there is a tie with Kou’s method. We obtained consistent conjugate maps for second-degree polynomial  $P(z) = (z - \alpha)(z - \beta)$ ,  $\alpha \neq \beta$ , which is useful in the further study of dynamics. We calculated the extraneous fixed points for  $z^3 - 1$ . These fixed points are repulsive; hence, they are not the part of solution space [11]. The integrated approach of study (dynamical,

numerical, and theoretical) is generative for the further study of Newton-like methods. Future work shall deal with furthering the applicability of other methods in a similar fashion [9,17–19].

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